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Ms. J. A. Hedges, Program Manager
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Dear Ms. Hedges:

**REQUEST FOR REMOVAL OF UNUSED LANDFILL AREAS FROM THE HANFORD
FACILITY RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT/ DANGEROUS WASTE
PERMIT APPLICATION PART A FORM FOR THE LOW-LEVEL BURIAL GROUNDS
OPERATING UNIT GROUP**

This letter is a request to remove unused areas from the Hanford Facility Resource Conservation and Recovery Act/ Dangerous Waste Permit Application Part A Form For The Low-Level Burial Grounds Operating Unit Group. The unused areas are defined and described in SGW-48278, Revision 0, Investigation of Unused Landfill Areas: 218-W-4C, 218-W-6, 218-E-10, and 218-E-12B. The report was transmitted to the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) from the U.S. Department of Energy Richland Operations Office (RL) by letter 12-AMCP-0064 dated February 8, 2012.

The unused areas are associated with four different landfills, and are named as follows:

- 218-W-4C Annex
- 218-W-6
- 218-E-10 Annex
- 218-E-12B Western Portion

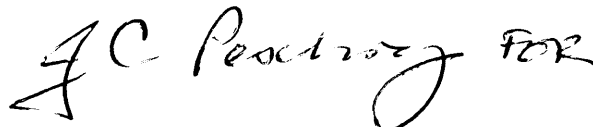
RL originally included these areas on the Part A Form as protective filings in 1985 and 1988. They were identified as areas for potential future waste disposal. At the time, RL did not know if the trenches in these landfills would be subject to regulation under the dangerous waste program. Thus, RL included them in the Part A Form as a precaution. However, RL did not use these areas as documented and described in SGW-48278, Revision 0. RL is seeking concurrence from Ecology to remove them from the Hanford Facility Resource Conservation and Recovery Act/ Dangerous Waste Permit Application Part A Form For The Low-Level Burial Grounds Operating Unit Group. A revised Hanford Facility Resource Conservation and Recovery Act/ Dangerous Waste Permit Application Part A Form For The Low-Level Burial Grounds Operating Unit will be submitted to Ecology as part of the permit application process.

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This request has been discussed with Deborah Singleton of your staff.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact, Mike Cline, of my staff, on (509) 376-6070.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ray J. Corey" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ray J. Corey, Assistant Manager
for the River and Plateau

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